

Wastewater Management Commission (WWMC)

Meeting minutes October 6, 2008

(Approved by WWMC on 20 October 2008)

Meeting time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Tiverton Community Center

Members present: John Christo, Colleen Stanton, Leroy Kendricks & Stephen York.

Also in attendance: John Lincourt: (WWS) Wastewater Superintendent
Stephen Berlucchi: Public Works Director
Tiverton Residents: Cherie Martin & John Martin

1. The minutes of the September 15, 2008 meeting as recorded by the Secretary of the Commission was unanimously approved on a motion by Stephen York and 2nd by Colleen Stanton.

2. On-Site Issues – Implementation of the On-site Wastewater Management Program:

(1) **Stafford Pond Watershed** – No updates to report.

(2) **Nanaquaket Pond Watershed** – Initial notices have been sent to the first 250 property owners in the Nanaquaket Pond Watershed area. John Lincourt has received several concerns and responses from the residents.

(3) **Variance request on cesspool replacement** – Mr. and Mrs. Martins requested the WWMC for a variance pursuant to section 18-9.10 of the Town Tiverton's Sewer Ordinance. They sent a letter dated 18 Sept 2008 to John Lincourt providing background information regarding this request. The WWMC agreed to take this request under advisement and notify Mr. & Mrs. Martins of the outcome as soon as possible.

3. Sewer Projects:

Ponta Pump Station – John Lincourt notified the WWMC that he has reviewed the latest electric bills of the Ponta Club and that the amounts were greater than expected. John Lincourt and Leroy Kendricks will further investigate this issue.

Watuppa Plantations/Countryview Estates – John Lincourt has received a design report on the pump station from Narragansett Engineering Inc. Both John Lincourt and Stephen Berlucchi will review this report and report their findings to the WWMC. Stephen Berlucchi reported that the Town of Tiverton came to a written agreement with Countryview Estates that back-up generators will be installed in both the Blackbird and Cardinal pump stations.

Bourne Mill – Installation of all sewer lines outside of the Bourne Mill property has been successfully completed. Utility and paving work is continuing.

Betterment assessments. – No action taken. John Lincourt has the action to revise the letter to be submitted to the property owners, who must connect to the sewer line within one year.

4. Long Range Planning: Leroy Kendricks, John Lincourt meet with Town officials to plan an alternative structure for sewer users. One of the alternatives; a sewer district format was discussed. Follow up meetings on the subject will be planned in the near future.

5. Financial Report: - No update to report

6. Public Education: - Colleen Stanton reported that she will attend the October 9 public meeting sponsored by the R.I Department of Environmental Management and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection regarding water quality restoration activities in Mount Hope Bay and Kickemuit River.

7. Documentation & Procedures:

- **Audet, Carpenter, Blaisdell and Cliff Street** – John Lincourt reported that he provided an update to the Town Administrator on the sewer lines in this area and the need for manholes. The WWMC unanimously approved a motion to allow connection of a home in Block 20 lot 12 to the existing sewer line. Motion made by Colleen Stanton and 2nd by Steve York.

- **R.I. WARN Agreement** – No change since last meeting.

- **New Regulations for Operations & Maintenance (O&M) of Wastewater Treatment Facilities** –

John Lincourt reported that he has received a template on the (O&M) program. John Lincourt is still trying to make contact with the School department concerning their preparation of a plan for their sewer system at the High school.

8.General Administration - No additional issues discussed.

9. A motion to adjourn (6:22 PM) was made by Colleen Stanton 2nd by Steve York passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting date is October 20, 2008, 5:00PM at Tiverton Community Center.

Submitted by:

John S. Christo
Secretary WWMC